

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)
OF AVISTA UTILITIES FOR AN ORDER) CASE NO. AVU-G-05-2
APPROVING A CHANGE IN NATURAL GAS)
RATES AND CHARGES (2005 PURCHASED) NOTICE OF PUBLIC
GAS COST ADJUSTMENT)) WORKSHOP
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On September 12, 2005, Avista Utilities (Avista, Company) filed its annual Purchased Gas Cost Adjustment (PGA) Application with the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (Commission) requesting authority to place new rate schedules in effect as of November 1, 2005 that will increase its annualized revenues by \$15.7 million (23.8%). The PGA mechanism is used to adjust rates to reflect changes in the costs for the purchase of gas from wholesale suppliers including transportation, storage, and other related costs of acquiring natural gas. The Company contends that its earnings will not be increased as a result of the proposed changes in prices and revenues. The Commission directed Staff to conduct a public workshop pursuant to Commission Rule of Procedure 125, IDAPA 31.01.01.125.

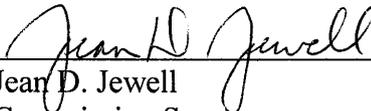
NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a public workshop will convene on **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2005, AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE NORTH IDAHO COLLEGE STUDENT UNION BUILDING, DRIFTWOOD BAY ROOM, 1000 WEST GARDEN AVENUE, COEUR D'ALENE, IDAHO.** The purpose of this workshop is for the Staff to dispense information concerning Avista's Application and to receive written or oral comments from the public prior to the Staff filing testimony or comments in this case.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that all workshops and hearings in this matter will be held in facilities meeting the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Persons needing the help of a sign language interpreter or other assistance in order to participate in or to understand testimony and argument at a public hearing may ask the Commission to provide a sign language interpreter or other assistance at the hearing. The request for assistance must be received at least five (5) working days before the hearing by contacting the Commission Secretary at:

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DATED at Boise, Idaho this 29th day of September 2005.



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Commission Secretary

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